

Minutes

TO: Community Planning and Physical Services Committee

FROM: Ben Wenograd, Chairperson

DATE: December 18, 2015

SUBJECT: Community Planning and Physical Services Committee

IN ATTENDANCE: Ben Wenograd, Shari Cantor, Chris Barnes, Beth Kerrigan, Chris Williams, Ron Van Winkle, John Phillips, Mark McGovern, Pat Alair, Kimberly Boneham, Todd Dumais

The Community Planning and Physical Services Committee met on Tuesday, December 15, 2015, at 4:00 p.m., in Town Hall, Room 312, to discuss the following:

AGENDA

1. UConn resolution
The Committee discussed a resolution authorizing the Town Manager to negotiate with UConn for the purchase of the West Hartford campus.
2. I-84/Park Road ramps
The Committee discussed the recent progress on the plans for \$5.1 million improvements to the I-84 ramps at Park Road and the public information meeting held last week. 80% of the funding for this project comes from a federal grant, 10% from a state grant and 10% from local funding. Construction is expected to begin in the spring of 2017 and take between 2 to 3 years to complete.
3. Trout Brook
The Committee discussed DEEP's Troutbrook project. The Town attends every job meeting with DEEP and the contractor for this project. The dredging work is nearly done. The next phase will be the removal of the dewatered material from the site. The planting plan will not be ready until January and DEEP is scheduling a meeting with the neighborhood to discuss those plans.
4. MS4 Permit
The state DEEP has refined its requirements for storm water maintenance required for the MS4 permit. These new requirements are expected to cost the Town over \$700,000 annually.
5. West Hartford Center zoning
Staff discussed zoning in West Hartford Center and some changes it is considering recommending to the Committee in the coming month. Many properties in the Center are nonconforming to the zoning regulations because they were constructed many years ago and this restricts opportunities for redevelopment. The staff expects to present specific recommendations to the Committee at it January meeting.

C: Town Council
 Ronald Van Winkle, Town Manager
 Joseph O'Brien, Corporation Counsel
 Essie Labrot, Town Clerk
 Department Directors